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*HRISTMAS preparations fill up with cheerful activities all the first days of December, and every normal Christian man and woman is planning to add something to the sum total of human happiness during this festive season of the year. Those who have strength and means to go busily about their happy tasks are blessed already by the Christmas spirit of giving. Those who, through physical infirmity, age, lack of means or other circumstances, must sit at home and face the joyous season with quiescent hands, unable to plan delights for those they love and would make happy, may find their Christmas blessing in the gospel story of Christmas. The wise men journeyed to their goal, taking their gifts to the Holy Child (they saw the star), the shepherds watching their flocks by night, waiting quiescent and patiently at their humble daily task, "heard the herald angels sing." Each one had his Chistmas joy, although it came in a different guise; one with prosperous activity, the other with humble, patient waiting. So, in our daily lives, perhaps the task that is before us seems stupid, dull and leading to nothing worth while; still, in its faithful performance. there comes a development of character, which will fit us. in some unexpected moment, to realize a great joy or hope in life and will tune our ears to hear the great carols of "Peace on earth, good will to men." Patient plodding and silent waiting are parts of God's great plans; there need be no fear of stagnation, for many a waiting time is a period set for maturing tender, strong abiding attributes of character which will act as anchors in times of storm and stress. Do not despair and grow impatient when a waiting time comes to you in your life. Make use of the possibility for preparation for your ideal which comes with such a time; welcome such opportunities for preparation for life's duties and responsibilities, even for its joys and rewards. And, so, if the Christmastide brings you busy hours, filled to the sixtieth second with loving plans and service for others, enjoy to its full your hour of happy service; and if, on the other hand, your Christmas must be spent in quiet solitude, or with your eagerness restrained, comfort your restless heart with the thought that often "they serve best who only stand And in your waiting time, fit your soul for the hour of fulfilment, which must come. Life is measured by time; and time, by its very nature, means change; and so even the waiting time must pass, as Christmas must be followed by the New Year.

COUTHERN clubwomen are beginning their preparations If or work in behalf of those laws which they are interested in having enacted, as many Southern States' legislatures assemble in January.

The clubwomen of Virginia are using their influence in behalf of legislation to establish a College for Women in connection with the University of Virginia; Mississippi clubwomen are working for a State Industrial School and Reformatory for Wayward Boys; Florida clubwomen are working for child labor laws, a better code of laws for the

government of the educational system of their State, and especially for women on school boards; South Carolina clubwomen are pledged to work for compulsory education and the establishment of a State Traveling Library Commission. The clubwomen of Kentucky are rejoicing over the establishment of their State Traveling Library Commission by act of the Legislature of 1910. The act provides for five members and an appropriation for the support of the work; the Governor has appointed three women and two men on the commission, which held its first meeting in July last. The commission is now busy reorganizing the Traveling Libraries turned over to them by the Kentucky Federation of women's clubs and will put these libraries in circulation though the state as state work maintained by funds furnished by the state. The clubwomen of North Carolina were fortunate enough to establish their State Traveling Library Commission in 1909. And, so, each year another name is enrolled on the ever growing list of States who are adding the work of State Traveling Libraries to their system of public education.

STATE Conference on Charities and Corrections will be held in Florence, S. C., on December 8th-9th, which will discuss child-saving methods and plan towards a State Board of Charities. Social workers, officers of penal institutions, physicians, clergymen and legislators, are invited to attend, and a visit will be paid the South Carolina Industrial School for Wayward Boys, located at Florence. The clubwomen of South Carolina, who were instrumental in securing the establishment of this school, welcome every effort, on the part of the men of the state, to consider and improve conditions along the lines of service to be discussed at the Florence meeting.

HE coming South," an editorial in Collier's, for November 26th, puts in a clear and convincing way some very pertinent facts about the wonderful possibilities being developed in the South today. It mentions the fact that a Corn Exposition will be held this year (December 5th-8th), in Columbia, S. C., and not in one of the great corn-growing States of the Middle West; it tells its readers that the world's corn record, 254 bushels and 49 pounds, raised on a single acre, is held by Captain Drake, of Marlboro county, S. C.; and, further, it says that every South Carolina boy who raises seventy-five bushels of corn to the acre this year, will receive a certificate of merit, signed by the Governor and the State Superintendent of Education. Every Southerner will recognize the ring of truth in the article, and those interested in the future development of this nation will appreciate the value of such activities in a section situated in the very heart of the early settlement of this country. Collier's editorials are always interesting, and deal with the vital questions of the day, and no better example of this policy can be found than in this recent utterance on the "progressive and developing South of today."

FIRST AND FOREMOST is my subscription to The Keystone for the coming year. I just enjoy every line in it, and find it so helpful in my work. Could not get along without it. All success to it!

FANNIE RANSOM WILLIAMS,

President N. C. Division U. D. C.

Newton, N. C., November 17, 1910.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS

For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina, Florida and Virginia. (This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Address all communications for South Carolina to Mrs. John Russell, Greenville, S. C., Corresponding Secretary, S. C. F. W. C., Manager.

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THE Treasurer of the South Carolina Federation, Mrs. Gary, wishes to remind the clubs that the Federation dues are now \$3.50, his increase in dues having been made at the Charleston Convention.

MRS. JOHN RUSSELL, who is a member of the Civil Service Reform Committee of the General Federation, will be glad to have all clubs taking any interest in this branch of federation work communicate with her. A quantity of valuable literature has been sent in by Miss Perkins and Miss Clark, and by reading several papers on this subject clubs will realize how very important this Civil Service Reform is and impress on us what it means to our country, our State, our town and our village.

THE GREENVILLE clubwomen have been enjoying a series of lectures, on the Great Moral Leaders, delivered in a most charming manner by *Dr. Edward Howard Griggs*. Socrates, St. Francis Assisi, Savonarola and Carlyle were the first of the series. Emerson and Tolstoi will be given on the 28th of November.

THE CLUBWOMEN OF ROCK HILL are taking great interest in civic work this winter. In October, in response to a call of the Women's Club Union, an enthusiastic meeting was held, and it was decided to combine the strength of all the clubs to aid the Civic Improvement Association. The officers of the Women's Club Union, for the coming year, are: Mrs. Alexander Long, President; Mrs. D. B. Johnson, Vice President; Mrs. R. L. Sturgis, Secretary; Mrs. Samuel Friedham, Treasurer.

RARELY in the history of the Perihelion Club, of Rock Hill, has there been such an altogether charming meeting as that held in October at the residence of Mrs. Arnold Friedham. Miss Eva Hughes gave a delightful paper on George Eliot. Dr. T. A. Crawford then gave an address on the Industrial School of South Carolina for Boys. Dr. Crawford, having been trustee in this institution for three years, his talk was exceedingly interesting, as well as instructive. He told how "the school was opened in November with two boys and by the following August, 1910, the number had increased to fifty-six. He went on to tell how neat and clean the dormitory rooms are, and how the boys are trained to do all kinds of housework, being taught in their books half the day, and doing some kind of work the other half. The discipline is ideal, with the honor system. This rule by kindness and affection for the unfortunate little fellows, is so new to most of the boys that they want to stay. Dr. Crawford says that this institution is going to be one of the largest in

our State, and second to none in the good to be accomplished. Delicious refreshments, daintily served, brought this pleasant afternoon to a close.

MRS. J. L. COKER, Recording Secretary, deserves congratulations for her good work on the Year Book. Besides being neatly printed, and the matter well arranged, its coming out in October is appreciated by the officers of the Federation, as well as by the individual clubs.

The Palmetto Book Club, of Chester, held a very pleasant meeting in October at the residence of Mrs. W. H. McNairy. Training of the child was the subject under discussion, and the quotation for the afternoon was, "Come, let us live with our children." Mrs. T. W. Douglass, Mrs. J. L. Glenn and Mrs. Alex. Macauly carried out the program, to which was added discussions by the club and music by Miss Kate Glenn. Mrs. John Russell.

GOVERNOR ANSEL has appointed the President of the South Carolina Federation, Mrs. Visanska, and Mrs. Rufus Fant, of Anderson, as delegates to the Convention of the American Civic Association meeting in Washington, D. C., December 14th, 15th and 16th.

The Civic Club, Charleston, through the Committee on Junior Civic League, arranged for a grand rally of the Junior Civic League on November 25th. Over 600 children assembled on the Citadel green, and, under direction of ward leaders, with ward banners flying, marched into the Knights of Columbus Hall, on Calhoun street. Mrs. Creighton Mitchell, Chairman of Junior Civic League Committee, prepared the program, and Mrs. Barton Miller, President of Civic Club, presided at the meeting. Dr. C. Armand Miller gave an address on Playgrounds; Mr. McKeand, Secretary of Chamber of Commerce, made an address on Value of Civics, and the children sang America, Neighbor Mine and Dixie under the direction of Professor Muller, and also recited the regular Junior Civic League pledge.

At the November meeting of *Civic Club*, Mr. Reid Whitford delivered a most interesting and instructive address on *South Carolina Waterways*.

MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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President—Mrs. Daisy B. Lamkin, Friar's Point. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Thomas Brady, Brookhaven. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. O. G. Johnston, Friar's Point. 56 Clubs—1,000 Members.

THE meeting of the Executive Board of the Federation met in Jackson November 3d, at the Edwards House. Miss Emily Butt, of Jackson, who was the first President of the Woman's Club, of Clarksdale, presented the invitation from the Woman's Club and Nevins Club for the Federation to hold its thirteenth Annual Convention in that city. The board voted unanimously in favor of that place, Mr. E. G. Routzhan, who is in charge of the National Tuberculosis

Exhibit, made a splendid talk on the practical things clubwomen can do to aid in the fight against tuberculosis. All of the members present were very much interested in the subject. Mr. Routzhan is now in Meridian with the exhibit, and the Advisory Board of Health of the Federation is gaining much inspiration for the work.

THE STATE PRESIDENT, MRS. LAMKIN, went from Jackson to visit the Southern clubs, stopping at Crystal Springs, Hazelhurst, Brookhaven, Norfield, McComb City, Magnolia, Gloster, Vicksburg and Tutwiler. At each place the clubs gave a reception and presented good reports of their work for the winter. Mrs. Lamkin hopes to complete her tour of all the clubs in the State before she goes out of office in April.

THE CLUBWOMEN are determined to renew their efforts to secure a Juvenile Reformatory for the State of Mississippi, the bill having been presented to the Legislature one time without effect. Miss Emily Butt, of Jackson, has been doing noble work among the boy convicts for two years, and she will talk at the convention in April on "Juvenile Reform in Mississippi."

THE RED CROSS STAMPS will soon be distributed for sale by the Health Committee, and it is to be hoped that each club will take an interest in this work, as it enables us to do some health work in the State. The Health Committee gave fifty dollars this year toward bringing the Tuberculosis Exhibit to Jackson, and it was an education to all those fortunate enough to visit it.

Daisye B. Lamkin, President.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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President—Mrs. Eugene Reilley, Charlotte, N. C. Recording Secretary—Mrs. G. W. Whitsett, Greensboro. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. E. P. Tingley, Charlotte. (59 Clubs—1,500 Members.)

EAR CLUBWOMEN: We are now well into the plans and work for the first year of the Health Department of the North Carolina Federation, and all is thus far very encouraging. When this department was formed and placed in my hands, my first efforts were to learn how many clubs were already doing health work. .They were very few in number. Next, I begged clubs not already doing active health work, to form a Department of Public Health, or a standing committee of health, or, where that was not practical, to have at least one program during the year devoted entirely to health. I was surprised and delighted at the hearty response. As a next step I asked for the membership roll of the clubs, that health literature might be sent to each club member in North Carolina. This means that thousands of the State's brightest women are being educated along sanitary lines, whether or not they take active part in the health campaign. Very soon dozens of letters came in saying: "We want to co-operate with you, but we do not know where to begin. Tell us what to do." This was really the hardest thing for my committee to decide. We did want concentrated effort, and did wish to avoid any scattering

work that might make a big showing but would be the foundation for little of real value. Tuberculosis seemed at first the logical disease to attack, but, upon consideration, it seemed so great an undertaking as to require the united effort of both men and women. And since men cannot well belong to women's clubs, we thought it well to leave that for another year. However, there is one disease fundamental to many others, and that one is anæmia. The cause of a large percentage of this anæmia is hookworm, as we now know, and we finally decided that our efforts for this year should go toward ridding our State of this devitalizing force, which makes the body so ready to receive the pathogenic bacteria. A little later in the year we hope to take up a few of the other causes of lowered vitality, such as patent medicine and patent drinks. That we may build for the future, we are obtaining the names of the girls in all the graduating classes of the colleges in the State and sending to them health literature, such as articles on the cause and prevention of typhoid, malaria, hookworm, tuberculosis and other diseases. Probably one big factor in hookworm education is that Dr. Ferrall, Assistant Secretary of the State Board of Health, has consented to examine for hookworm the students of one room in each school in North Carolina, should the school so decide. A campaign of health must necessarily be one of education. If the present degree of interest continues, I feel safe in prophesying that within a very few years we shall have in North Carolina the public sentiment that will not only demand good health laws, but will insist on their enforcement. MRS. W. N. HUTT.

Chairman Health Department N. C. Federation.

[Mrs. Hutt is not only chairman of the Department of Health of the State Federation, established at the last convention, but has the honor of being a member of the Committee on Public Health of the General Federation, being chairman of the Department of School Hygiene. Mrs. Hutt is thus in touch with the health movement throughout the country and is well equipped to do efficient work for improved conditions in our own State.]

THE MUSIC COMMITTEE of the North Carolina Federation comes with a plea for greater interest in music in the club, the home, and the school. Last year we undertook an entirely new line of work, asking for original compositions from all clubs. To this request we had some response, though we gave very short notice of the plan. These original compositions were submitted (without names of composers) to three professional musicians who had been selected as judges, and three of them deemed sufficiently good to be given a place on the program for "Fine Arts" evening at the Federation Convention. The Federation Song, words by our much loved Mrs. R. R. Cotten, music by the State Chairman, was well received and officially adopted as the State Federation Song, to be sung at each Federation meeting. The other numbers were "United," by Mary Speed Mercer, and "Lullaby," words by Mrs. W. H. Speight, music by Mrs. E. C. Duncan. This same plan is to be continued for another year, and every club is asked to send in any original work to the chairman. We hope to have responses to this request.

It is a great pleasure to us to note that the General Federation has given us a Music Committee. The delegates at the biennial, who were interested in music, were immensely

encouraged at the stand taken by the convention on this subject. We hope, with the General Federation back of us, that the Music Department will be able to accomplish great things for the advancement of our art. We must work through the public schools, and our clubwomen will aid us much if they will influence the children at home. Let them feel that we are interested in this study. It should count in their regular school work, and the children be made to understand that neglect of it will lower their grade just as failure in any other study. I believe they would then look upon the public school work in music with more respect. Until this is the case, it will continue to be neglected. We must work to make music of educational value throughout our schools, and endeavor to have trained teachers who know good muic and will give it to our children. Thus may their taste be cultivated and in them be implanted a desire for the best, with ability to love MRS. E. C. DUNCAN. and to appreciate it.

Chairman Music Department N. C. Federation.

[As has been announced in these columns, Mrs. Duncan is a member of the General Federation Committee on Music. It was largely due to Mrs. Duncan's active efforts that this department of work was established at the Cincinnati Biennial last May.]

THE COMPLETE DIRECTORY of the State Federation shows a membership of fifty-eight clubs. Owing to unavoidable delay, the Year Book has not been published, but the Recording Secretary hopes soon to have it in the hands of officers and club presidents.

GERTRUDE WEIL.

VIRGINIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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THE Executive Committee of the Virginia Federation held a meeting in Lynchburg, November 3d. Mrs. King, Mrs. Quick, Mrs. Caldwell, Mrs. Kyle and Mrs. Ruan, were present. The discussion was mainly of things brought about by the new relations of the Virginia Federation to the General Federation. The meeting was held in the Van Dyke building. A communication was read from Mrs. Eugene Reilly, of North Carolina, asking for expression of preference as to places of meeting for the council and the next biennial. The vote was for Memphis for the council and San Francisco for the biennial. A letter was read from Mrs. Moore, President General Federation, and the meeting decided that the Virginia Federation will take at least one copy of the History of the Federation now being written for publication. The President was instructed to appoint a special committee, consisting of one member from each affiliated club to obtain subscriptions to the General Federation Bulletin, with the understanding that all commissions for the first year be given to the General Federation fund for general expenses. Mrs. Moore's suggested schedule for standing committees was approved, with one suggestion, and meeting adjourned.

MISS KATHERINE STEWART sends an interesting report on conservation that will appear in the next issue of The

Keystone. She hopes to visit all the clubs in the near future, in the interest of conservation.

The Woman's Club, Lynchburg, began the winter's work with a reception in honor of their new President, Mrs. J. L. Armstrong, October 14th. It was a very successful meeting. The work undertaken for the year is a study of the Victorian Period in Literature, Art, Music and Science, with a Civic Circle, that is to do some efficient work, as it has done each year heretofore. The club is to have addresses during the year by Dr. Alderman, President of University of Virginia; Prof. W. S. Currell, of Washington and Lee University; Mr. George Kerr, of Lynchburg, and others.

THE CAMERON CLUB, of Alexandria, will give a second year's study to Egypt, in the Literature Department, and the Music Circle will devote much time to the study of the stories of the operas, and the illustrations will be devoted to the special opera under consideration. A course of lectures will be given under the auspices of the club, the first by Hon. Hilary A. Herbert, ex-Secretary of the Navy under Cleveland, and also a Colonel of the Confederate Army. His subject will be, "Reminiscences." Mr. B. F. Warner, of Washington, will give an illustrated lecture on Egypt, and Mr. Foster, of Washington, gives an illustrated lecture of "The Potomac from Source to Mouth," giving views of its beautiful scenery and also treating it historically. Two other lectures will come later in the year. The civic department this month awards prizes to the children of Alexandria for the best kept yards. During the summer the biggest thing accomplished was the sane and safe Fourth of July, the first Alexandria has had. An excursion, undertaken by the society, paid the expenses of the fourth, and allowed them to appropriate two hundred dollars for the almshouse. This shows vigorous work on the part of Cameron Club, and will give many helpful ideas to the other clubs of the Federation.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB, of Clifton Forge, has applied for membership in the Virginia Federation and will be gladly welcomed. It has a membership of twenty. President, Mrs. W. D. Baker, and Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Mary Anderson. Department of History, Literature, Music, Art and Current Events.

FALL'S CHURCH WOMAN'S CLUB reports an interesting visit from the President, Mrs. King, and an interesting outline of work for the winter.

Mrs. King visited the Bedford Library Association November 1st and 2d, and was the guest of Mrs. Ruan. She was present at a meeting of the Board of Directors, and later at a meeting of the association, after which a luncheon was given in her honor by Mrs. Ruan, to which the officers of the association were invited.

On Friday and Saturday, November 4th and 5th, the County Fair of Bedford county filled the town to overflowing with visitors. Saturday was the day set apart for the school fair, which was held under the auspices of the Library Association. This is the third year the association has undertaken this work, which has steadily grown in importance and usefulness. This year the display of work, both domestic and agricultural, was most creditable, and the excellence of the compositions was remarkable. About two hundred dollars in prizes was awarded, and many happy children returned to their country homes that night.

The Montvale Woman's Club reports a delightful visit from Mrs. King, President of Virginia Federation, and says: "They were not only honored and cheered by her presence, but inspired to renewed effort by her words of encouragement. If the suggestions offered by Mrs. King in regard to conservation, civics and education, were put into practice, the face of nature would be beautiful, dumb creatures would rejoice, and the rising generation of men and women would surpass in many respects their illustrious predecessors." Having joined the great procession which is moving onward and upward toward higher and better things, Montvale betrays a settled purpose not to lag behind, being one of the smallest and weakest of the clubs, but to keep step with the march. The library work is encouraging, the demand for books and better books increasing.

The Wednesday Club, of Danville, devoted its first meeting to Current Events, and an interesting account of the meeting of the Virginia Federation in May, was given by Mrs. Wheatley; also, an account of work accomplished by the club in 1909 and 1910. Mrs. Pinkney Williamson gave a charming account of the Biennial in Cincinnati, as she attended as delegate from the Wednesday Club. The club was fortunate in having a visit from Mrs. King, November 7th. An informal reception was tendered her at the residence of Mrs. Bobertson, President of Wednesday Club, attended by the members. Much good will come from the evening with Mrs. King, who is full of enthusiasm for the work of the Federation. The club hopes to have Dr. Vincent give a series of lectures during the winter.

LIZZIE PERKINSON.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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President—Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami. Recording Secretary—Mrs. Charlotte Kulor, Sanford. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. A. E. Rickmers, Miami. (35 Clubs—1,600 Members.)

THE Convention of the Florida Federation of Women's Clubs is a thing of the past, but the memory of it will last long and the good effects will be felt through all time. The convention was one of the best. The hostess club, the "Ocala Women's Club," left no stone unturned for the complete success of the convention, or for the comfort of its guests and delegates. All praise is due this plucky "baby" club (only two years in the Federation) for undertaking to entertain the State Convention. The reception on Tuesday evening in honor of the visiting delegates was a brilliant affair. Next to our honored President stood our General Federation President. The delightful reception was followed by a magnificent banquet, where one hundred clubwomen sat at feast together. All appointments were perfect, and it closed literally with a "feast of reason." Mrs. Kirk Munroe, of Cocoanut Grove, an enthusiastic clubwoman, and daughter of the famous novelist, Amelia E. Barr, occupied the seat of honor and acted as toastmistress. These toasts were responded to by our brilliant guests and

clubwomen. Every moment was enjoyed, though there wasn't a man among them. Presiding over the sessions with grace and dignity was our honored President, Mrs. Thomas M. Shackleford, of Tallahassee, beloved by all her "subjects." The various addresses extending a cordial welcome to the beautiful little city, made us think seriously of pulling up stakes and moving in a body to Ocala, where such warmhearted people reside. The Junior Civic League of little girls, forty strong, appeared at one session carrying their banner before them, and with a graceful speech, welcomed the Federation to its city. They are greatly interested in their work, which just now is helping the mother club to furnish a "rest room," and after giving a goodly sum toward it, one little leaguer says: "We will help you all we can, and if you get in a tight place just call on us." Of such are the coming clubwomen. A member of the Junior League presented Mrs. Wm. Hocker, the able and efficient President of the hostess club, with a gavel carved from a tree, until recently, standing in the middle of the main street, warped and gnarled and storm-scarred. Its heart was firm and true and from it was carved this gavel presented by the Junior League to the mother chapter, the "Ocala Woman's Club." It was used by Mrs. Shackleford through the meetings, and never once did it fail to bring the house to order or to stop the flow of social conversation when business called. Mrs. Shackleford's annual address showed that during the two years of her administration thirteen new clubs have joined the Federation, and all doing excellent work. Florida sent twelve delegates to the Biennial at Cincinnati; only one other Southern state sent more, and that was Kentucky, just over the line. The convention was most fortunate in having with them honored guests who remained two and three days and attended the various sessions, giving helpful hints and entering into the discussions of the many subjects before the assembly, making the sessions wonderfully interesting. Our General Federation President, Mrs. Philip N. Moore, in her easy, graceful and interesting manner, answered all questions and gave information on all topics. She was a great inspiration to the meetings. In her address of the evening session, she spoke of the General Federation, its interests and problems. We had with us another charming woman, Mrs. H. N. Hutt, of Raleigh, N. C., deeply interested in work in the rural districts, both in civics and health. Could her address be put into practice by every wife and mother, it would work a revolution in household economics. To hear her was to love her. Still another noted guest was Mr. J. Horace McFarland, President of the Civic League of America. He said his subject was world-wide in its scope, and his primary object was to make our homes more beautiful and our home towns more attractive to live in, and that it would appeal to the men if they could realize that beautifying a city results in progress and makes more valuable the property thus beautified. Every point of his interesting and often witty lecture was emphasized with the finest stereopticon views, 200 in number, showing unsightly places and their improvement, brought about through the influence of women's clubs. Was there any one present who did not go home resolved to beautify her own town? There was a



feast of good things this year. We have yet to speak of Dr. Gifford, formerly Professor of Forestry at Cornell University. For six or seven years he has made Florida his home, and is still trying to solve the forestry problem. He surprised his audience with such statements as these: Florida has more species of trees than any other one state. The number of native and introduced trees exceeds 300. South Florida abounds in mahogany, the same as that of Central America and Santo Domingo. Millions of acres in South Florida have never been surveyed, and parts of the state are as little known as parts of Central Africa.

The visiting delegates were given a most enjoyable outing in the way of an automobile ride to the far-famed Silver Springs, and a row over the iridescent waters in glass bottomed boats. Mrs. Kirk Munroe, delegate to the Conservation Congress in St. Paul, gave a most interesting report of the sessions of that body.

Mrs. Moore recommended dividing our state into districts. Florida is a large state and distances great. This would bring many to a gathering, where, heretofore, distance would hinder them coming to the state meeting.

Though a small Federation, Florida women were not forgotten, but received greetings from fifteen different states, as well as from the Panama Canal Zone. The weather was absolutely perfect (what Florida weather should be) throughout the convention, but on Saturday "the heavens wept" copiously over the departing guests.

Manatee. (Mrs. A. H.) Mary R. Brown.

The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami.
First Vice President, Mrs. Wm. Hocker, Ocala.
Second Vice President, Mrs. Charles A. Coy, Tallahassee.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charlotte Kulor, Sanford.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Rickmers, Miami.
Treasurer, Mrs. F. F. Tenney, Federal Point.
Auditor, Mrs. S. J. Hilburn, Palatka.
General Federation Secretary, Mrs. E. E. G. Munsell, Green Cove,

THIRTEEN States of the Union have less than one per cent. of iliteracy among the white population over ten years of age. Of these thirteen States, all but one allow women to vote on school questions. Twelve States have more than ten per cent. of illiteracy among the white population over ten years of age. Of these twelve States, not one allows women to vote on school questions. This interesting fact is brought out by the Kentucky women who are making a campaign for school suffrage.—The Woman's Journal.

A Christmas Suggestion.

A GENUINE artistic antique is a good investment of money, for each year it increases in value. Old furniture, prints, silver and glass of the colonial and revolutionary period are most suitable Christmas gifts for the "grown-ups." These may be purchased from a reliable dealer, W. J. O'Hagan & Son, of Charleston, S. C. Established in 1878, for thirty-two years he has given satisfaction to discriminating customers who are connoisseurs in antiques.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

President—Mrs. Philip N. Moore, 3125 Lafayette Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Frank N. Shiek, Wheatland, Wyo.

[These notes are official for December as sent out to the official organs by the General Federation Bulletin.]

HE days have slipped into weeks since I penned the last report (I might call it) of busy hours,—and the wish is still persistent that each hour might be doubled. There is a fascinating interest in the problems facing each section of the country, especially when I see the results of concentrated efforts and realize the great advance during the years I have watched the work. The General Federation has become to each State a vital force, with which the State itself claims connection, instead of an unknown organization to which it belonged, but in which it had no interest. This vital force is shown in different degrees. In one State each department has its corresponding report from the biennial; in another such interest is felt in the endowment fund that the State voted to donate the corresponding amount of dues for one year, and recommended the same to the clubs; in another the Federation Bulletin was endorsed as giving the technical viewpoint to all departments of work; in another all clubs were advised to subscribe to a copy of the History; and in many places the Report of the Tenth Biennial was ordered for libraries and State Universities; always the appreciative work of thanks for splendid help from the Bureau of Information. It is, in fact, a living connection, and is productive of results. We are learning to know each other; and the State President, who does not keep in touch with all issues, soon drops to a place in the ranks, while the work is forwarded by another who has the right to lead. The schedule as arranged has been carried out almost to the letter: Charming days in Rockford, Illinois, with the Eleventh District; in Omaha with the Woman's Club and in Tecumseh with the Nebraska Federation; in Denver, following our line of co-operation with the Association of Collegian Alumnæ, and with the fine Science Section of the Woman's Club; in Oshkosh with the great leaders and old friends of the Wisconsin Federation; then in St. Louis to "catch my breath;"then to the Athens of Georgia for an unusual educational program and one full of service. During the past week, on account of impossibility of plans for other State Federations, I have visited, most satisfactorily, Cedartown, Atlanta and Columbus, Georgia,-all very different and all willing to show me many items of club interest, of which I had not dreamed.

A beautiful composite picture has been presented to the eyes of mind and body of our inspiring biennial, as each fixed on the remembrance of the individual.

The last sentence of the Georgia report was: "The great impression was one of service,—not to be ministered unto but to minister."

[Then follow the assets of Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Oklahoma and Georgia.]

EVA PERRY MOORE.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, through its Chairman, Mrs. S. S. Crockett, Nashville, Tenn., has issued a cir-

cular to health workers of all federated clubs, urging interest in this national subject. The special lines of work recommended are: Food sanitation, school hygiene, social hygiene, tuberculosis, and State seals; each section is in the hands of a competent committee and clubs are requested to do some work along any one of these activities, and report to their State Chairman of Health, so that the work can be recorded in the General Federation. Mrs. Crockett is planning to have on exhibition at the next biennial a map of the United States with health activities marked in each State, and she is anxious for each State to have as many health works as possible. State Federations are also reminded to work for the endorsement of the Owen bill for the establishment of a National Department of Health, and also to advocate the passage of bills prohibiting the white slave traffic.

Waterways in South Carolina.

INDER the head of Natural Resources, waterways fall second in importance after air, and in South Carolina Nature has done much for us, particularly in the way of rivers.

South Carolina has one thousand miles of navigable rivers, and, if properly developed, would change the whole aspect of our country, not only from a commercial, but an economic standpoint, affecting through prosperity the comfort and health of the home, thus touching the women, for women stand for the home; and, as Mrs. Hoyle Tomkins, President of Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress, has said, in speaking of waterways affecting the home: "Whatever touches that, touches a live wire of the woman's heart. It has been found that the question enters into the construction of the home, and to everything that pertains to the home; yea, even to the human life sheltered by that home."

The subject of waterways is a tremendous one, and it grows broader and deeper as we delve until it seems closely interwoven with the mainsprings of life. It has been stated that from every national platform that women are one of the great factors moulding for good. Are we, the women of South Carolina, doing anything for our State in this line? How can we do? you ask. By working for waterways, talking for it, that its claims may be known and included in the government's plan for waterway development. It can be made permanent only by education, systematic and persistent; it is not necessary that new text-books be introduced into schools, but through lectures, talks, particularly through the medium of natural history. The dangers of fouling the soil near springs and wells is necessary for every child to know; for the water supply plays a most conspicuous part in disseminating the germ of typhoid fever. Let us help in a campaign that will effect us, in giving the child a greater opportunity for healthful, moral development. It was Mrs. J. D. Wilkinson, Chairman of Waterways of General Federation of Woman's Clubs, who said: "It is women who estimate the needs and point out the ways to meet these needs, the men adopt and complete them." Patriotic pride in the advancement of our State causes the most sordid soul to rejoice, but the interest in the development of home stirs the soul. It is time that steps be taken to preserve our country's natural resources for the benefit of the whole peo-"Waterways" embrace many kinds of work. Drainage, for instance, the most needed in our low country. Hon-Jas. Cosgrove, of Charleston, in his address before the National Drainage Congress, at Baltimore, said, among many things, that "Other gentlemen have spoken of the great increase in the value of land when drained, that is, the economic side of the question, but there is another side to this great question, another grander side, the preservation and protection of the health of our citizens." Malaria, for instance, can be prevented by proper drainage. Think what that means! Drainage means health, navigation brings prosperity; the combination means much, and the women of South Carolina must help. In an address before the Civic Club, of Charleston, November 23d, Mr. Reid Whitford, a civil engineer of long experience on waterways, mentioned the "advisability of considering some method by which navigation might possibly be co-ordinated in the drainage. Mr. Whitford said as early as 1730 the improvements of waterways in South Carolina had begun, as far back as that year the Colonial Government attempted to connect the waters of Winyah Bay with those of the Santee River by a canal from one to the other. The people of Charleston, at a cost of \$800,000, completed the work on the old canal in 1800, but it failed to accomplish that for which it was intended, because of its defective location." Today the great inland canal project, which extends from Boston to Key West, is a movement of tremendous import, and will be of vast benefit. In no better words than those of Mrs. Francis Shuttleworth, in her address before the Interstate Inland Waterways Convention, at Beaumont, Texas, can this subject of waterways and its relation to the clubwomen be closed. Mrs. Shuttleworth says: "It is the duty of all women in organized forces to be the most active factors of this educational work in the interest of waterway improvement. While they hold on with the right hand to the literary club and grow more cultured in the study of elevating literature, they should, at the same time, reach out the left hand, giving strong educational service that will prove so valiant that it will permeate the remotest quarters of our country, thereby saving water pure and plentiful for its every use, for it is a necessity affecting alike every man, woman and child, and it is the greatest gift of the natural resources from God to man, and hence, the most sacred trust.' CHARLOTTE BOYD MILLER,

Vice President from South Carolina of the Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

Charleston, S. C.

[The Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress will hold their [The Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress will hold their biennial meeting December 5, 6, 7, in Washington, D. C. Wednesday evening, December 7th, will be a joint meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress and the Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress. The delegates from South Carolina are: Governor Ansel, State vice president of the men's organization, and Mrs. A. Barton Miller, Charleston, State vice president of the woman's organization.]

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UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

President—Mrs. Virginia F. McSherry, Martinsburg, W. Va. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Kate Childress Schnabel, Orleans, La.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Roy W. McKinney, Paducah, Ky|
Treasurer—Mrs. C. B. Tate, Draper, Va.
Registrar—Mrs. Jas. B. Gantt, Jefferson City, Mo.
Custodian of Crosses—Mrs. L. H. Raines, 408 Duffy Street, E., Savan-

nah, Ga. (Up-to-date Notes.)

THE seventeenth Annual Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy was held in Little Rock, Arkansas, November 8th-12th, 1910. The sessions were held in the auditorium of the Hotel Marion, the headquarters hotel, which was beautifully decorated with palms and Confederate flags and colors for the occasion. The opening exercises on Tuesday evening, held in this hall, consisted of prayer by Bishop J. B. Morris, of Little Rock, and addresses of welcome from G. W. Donaghey, Governor of Arkansas; Col. G. W. Murphy and Gen. B. W. Green for the Confederate veterans; Mrs. John Fletcher, President Arkansas Federation of Women's Clubs, and Mrs. Orlando Halliburton for the Arkansas Division U. D. C., the hostess of the convention. The response was made by Miss Mildred Rutherford, of Georgia. The theme of the welcomes was Confederate womanhood and its priceless value to Southern civilization. The music for this evening was especially finished and well rendered, consisting of a male quartette, a soprano solo, Mrs. D. E. Bradshaw, piano solo, Mrs. Clifton Gray, and a recitation by Mrs. John Stayton. The regular business session opened Wednesday morning with the U. D. C. Ritual; the Credential Committee reported a voting strength of 983 chapters, 1,674 votes, representing 28 States. Virginia, 239 votes; Texas, 167; Tennessee, 158; Georgia, 152; North Carolina, 141; South Carolina, 119; Alabama, 109; Mississippi and Kentucky, 75; Florida, 66, etc.

This report showed that all the general officers of the association were present, five of the chairmen of the several standing committees and sixteen division presidents, namely, Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

The President General's report was printed, as usual, and distributed; the decisions covered the question of eligibility of an adopted child, change of name of chapter requires a new charter and the definition of federation in connection with U. D. C. chapters; the report showed 3,500 certificates signed by the President General; advised that the manufacture of badges of the association be taken from Theus, and that the decisions of President Generals be embodied in the Year Book of this association. These recommendations were adopted, with the modification that when the decisions are reversed by a following convention, they shall be omitted from the Year Book. The value of the educational and historical work, and the question of Junior Auxiliaries were impressed on the association, the report closing with an appeal for Shiloh and Arlington Monuments.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dowdell, reported sending out 3,575 certificates of membership, 812 more than last year, and that 68 new chapters had been chartered. The

Custodian of the Cross of Honor, Mrs. Raines, reported that the patent for the cross had expired in 1907, and that the contract for future crosses was now in the hands of Whitehead & Hoag, Newark, N. J., with satisfactory results. The crosses cost thirteen cents each, and the rules for their bestowal were not changed at all, as only two, more years remain for these bestowals. Mrs. Raines reported 5,000 crosses ordered this year and 1,000 still on hand; expenses of the office, \$436. She requested that she be allowed to file the final and completed records of these crosses in the Confederate Museum at Richmond; this request was granted, and Mrs. Raines was allowed, in the meantime, to secure a place of safety for these books whenever she saw fit. She showed these beautifully kept books and reported 6,500 names for crosses recorded in 1909-10. There is still old data for 1904 to be recorded. The Treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Tate, reported: Total receipts, \$9,186; disbursements for the year, \$6,070; per capita tax, \$4,501; balance in 1909, \$3,313; balance in 1910, \$3,115.

The Registrar, Mrs. J. B. Gantt, reported 43,000 names registered, Georgia, Florida and South Carolina had sent in complete lists; 25,202 names had been enrolled this year, and the books of this office were in good order.

The Historian General, Mrs. Enders Robinson, presented her report and that of the History Committee in a printed pamphlet of 31 pages, which showed four lines of work: History Committee, History Evening at General Conventions, Committee of Division and Chapter Historians, and a U. D. C. Exchange Library System. The History Committee, one of the standing committees of the association by constitutional amendment at this convention, will now consist of Division Historians and Chapter Historians in those States where no divisions exist, with the Historian General as chairman. These members must report to chairman by September 1st of each year in 400 words, and these reports will be presented, classified as a General History report; the Historian General's expenses will be paid to all conventions, and the Historical Evening will be continued. This evening at Little Rock was especially interesting, the Historian General, Mrs. Robinson, presiding. The exercises took place in the Albert Pike Consistory, and the program treated of Arkansas Confederate history; papers on Domestic Life in Dixie; Arkansas's part in the four years' struggle; Albert Pike, the Poet-Soldier, and one by Mrs. R. B. Willis, Historian of the Arkansas Division, were most interesting; while Confederate songs and recitations helped to make the evening more enjoyable. A tableau of beautiful young girls showing the seceding States and then the Union formed the first part of the program. The rule to have this evening treat of the history of the State in which the convention is held was universally approved of and appreciated by the delegates.

The Custodian of Flags, Mrs. Walke, reported no new flags added this year, and this officer was made, by constitutional enactment, one of the general officers of the U. D. C., and given a vote in the convention.

The Committee on Education reported through its Chairman, Miss Mary Poppenheim, of South Carolina, seven general scholarships, one each at Vassar, Washington and Lee University, University of North Carolina, University of Alabama, Alabama Polytechnic, Sophie Newcomb College, Tulane University and Lucy Cobb Institute. The total value of these scholarships was \$1,020. The Vassar scholarship is now occupied by Miss Lola Raysor, of Ocala, Florida, now a senior at Vassar, and is for tuition and living expenses at Vassar. The Alabama Polytechnic scholarship is being used by Mr. Horne, of Jacksonville, Florida; the Sophie Newcomb, by Miss Hilda Beauregard, of New Orleans. A voluntary contribution was taken up to complete the Vassar living fund for 1910, and \$168 were pledged in five minutes. The recommendation of the Committee on Education that the \$350 living fund for one scholarship each year be appropriated from the general treasury was carried, and an amendment to the Constitution providing for this expenditure offered. The Committee on Education also reported sixteen States with State Committees on Education, which provided 146 scholarships, valued at \$9,068 per annum, making a total of 153 U. D. C. scholarships, valued at \$10,088 given away each year. Georgia reported 51 scholarships; Tennessee, Alabama and North Carolina each 15; Florida, 12, and Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New York, South Carolina, Texas, Maryland, Kentucky, Mississippi and Virginia from 9 to 2 scholarships, some being tuition only, some being all expenses of students at State University. Alabama reported three endowed scholarships, with a capital of \$4,200 invested. This committee urged that every penny given to education by a U. D. C. chapter be reported to the Committee on Education, so that the U. D. C. may record the sum of work done in this line each year. Next year the Vassar scholarship will be open to girls in Alabama only, and the six general scholarships open for competition to all States where U. D. C. chapters exist.

The prize essay at Teachers' College, Columbia University, was reported through the chairman of that committee, Mrs. L. R. Schuyler, New York. The prize was awarded this year to Mr. Harvey Morrow, of Alabama. The subject was. "The History of Slavery in Mississippi," selected by Dr. S. C. Mitchell, of the South Carolina University, and the judges were, Dr. Craighead, of Tulane University; Professor Brown, of New York University, and Mr. Dunbar Rowland, of Mississippi. Miss Ruth Hawes, of Virginia, received honorable mention in the contest. This prize of \$100, offered to the students of Teachers' College for an essay on a Confederate subject, was continued for another year.

The Shiloh Monument Committee reported through its Director General, Mrs. A. B. White, Tennessee, \$3,213 had been collected for this monument for this year, Tennessee leading, with \$400; second, Florida, \$233; third, South Carolina, \$184; fourth, Georgia, \$161; fiifth, Missouri, \$147; sixth, Mississippi, \$133; seventh, Virginia, \$126. Total in hand, \$8,632. The directors are considering a design for this monument, and have adopted a gold badge as a means of holding the directorate together. The history of the Battle of Shiloh is urged for April chapter meetings and each State director is provided with a short, concise history which she can furnish to chapters in her State on application for the April meeting. Pledges for this monument for the coming year were received immediately after the report, and

over \$900 were pledged from the floor; the U. D. C. appropriated from the treasury for 1910-11 \$300 each for Shiloh and Arlington Monuments.

The Arlington Monument report was read by Mrs. Arthur Johnson, D. C., and Mrs. C. B. Stone, Texas, Chairman Committe on Design. This report showed \$4,398 collected this year; \$19,617 on hand for the monument. The Committee on Design had given the contract to Moses Ezekiel. of Rome, Italy, and the sum of \$35,000 had been agreed upon as the cost. There was some discussion of the question of the design, but as the design must be passed upon by the U. S. Government, as this monument is to be placed in a National Cemetery, this question holds over for further time. Pledges for 1911 were taken for this monument, and \$2,315 were pledged from the floor. The subject of the little Christmas seals to be sold for this monument were discussed and orders should be sent to State Directors for Arlington. In compliment for his services in Confederate work, Dr. Lewis, of Washington, D. C., was made Vice Chairman of the Arlington Monument Association.

The amendments to the Constitution were considered carefully and in detail. A committee, with Mrs. Raines as chairman, being appointed to read over these amendments and report their opinion on each one before it was voted on by the convention. The expenses of Historian General and Registrar General in future will be paid to the General Convention; the amendment to increase the per capita tax was withdrawn, as was, also, the one to limit the term of office of general officers, and the one in regard to the revision committee on minutes; amendment to make June 3d Memorial Day, and the one dealing with soliciting votes were lost. The amendment treating of daughters "by adoption," gives them all privileges of membership, "except to hold office in the General Association, Divisions or Chapters; the History Committee now consists of Division Historians; the date of convention remains the same; new or duplicate charters will cost the chapter applying \$3, and State Presidents or Chairmen of State delegates may be elected delegates to a General

The question of the eligibility clause was the chief topic considered, and by a two-thirds vote the convention decided to limit membership in the U. D. C. to lineal descendants of Confederate men and women, with the exception of nieces in the first degree. The vote stood 1,072 for lineal society; 506 against, as follows: For: Alabama, 109; Arkansas, 70; California, 24; Florida, 66; Kentucky, 20; Louisiana, 63; Missouri, 49; New York, 19; North Carolina, 141; Pennsylvania, 5; South Carolina, 116; Tennessee, 109; Virginia. 236; West Virginia, 33; 9 officers and chairmen of standing committees. Total, 1,072. AGAINST: Georgia, 152; Illinois, 7; Kentucky, 55; Mississippi, 75; Ohio, 4; Oklahoma, 38; South Carolina, 3; Texas, 167; 5 officers and chairmen of standing committees. Total, 506. The number of Honorary Presidents remains fourteen. Contributions were asked from the floor for a monument to Gen. J. E. Johnston being erected by the Dalton, Ga., Chapter, \$86 were pledged. Contributions for the monument to the "Immortal Six Hundred" were received from the floor, and \$66 pledged. It was recommended that Admiral Semmes' birthday, September

27th, be observed by U. D. C. Chapters as a tribute to the Confederate navy; it was decided to withdraw the right to make the U. D.C. badge from Theus, and a committee will be appointed to buy all the badges Theus has on hand and to hold them subject to chapter orders until a new firm of manufacturers shall be secured. The name of this committee will be printed in the pamphlet giving the minutes of the Little Rock Convention. At the suggestion of the South Carolina Division, through Mrs. Kohn, the State President, it was decided that in ordering new certificates of membership, the Recording Secretary should arrange the wording on this certificate so as to show the name of the ancestor through whose record the membership was secured. Mrs. McKinney, of Kentucky, spoke on the neglected Confederate graves at Camp Beauregard, Water Valley, Ky., where soldiers from Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Missouri and Mississippi are buried, and asked for contributions to carry on the work of fencing in these graves. Mrs. Schuyler, of New York, made a plea for the purchase of portrait of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, painted by Mrs Rice, of Arkansas; the price of the picture is \$700; she was authorized to receive contributions for the purchase of the picture, and took up \$174 in pledges from the convention. Mrs. Walke, of Virginia, asked that each State appoint a committee of two to urge their Congressmen to work for the naming of the new fort to be erected at Cape Henry, "Fort Maurey," in honor of Commander Matthew F. Maurey. The memorial exercises for deceased members were simple and impressive. Mrs. Joseph Bryan and Alfred Gray, of Virginia, and Mrs. Robt. E. Park, of Georgia, were among the names eulogized, and a beautiful vocal solo, arranged with the words, "Lest we forget," closed the services.

The Confederate Memorial Association offered for sale some pamphlets on "The Treatment of Prisoners," price 10 cents. Invitations for the next convention were received from Richmond, Va., and Washington, D. C. Richmond was selected by a vote of 1,068—Washington, 618. The election of officers resulted in the re-election of the entire board, with the exception of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dowdell, Alabama, who, having served four years, refused re-election; Mrs. Roy W. McKinney, Paducah, Ky., was unanimously elected to fill Mrs. Dowdell's place. The officers for 1910-11 are:

President general, Mrs. Virginia Faulkner McSherry, Martinsburg, W. Va.; first vice president, Mrs. L. C. Hall, Dardanelle, Ark.; second vice president, Mrs. Mary E. Bryan, Houston, Texas; third vice president, Mrs. Thos. T. Stevens, Atlanta, Ga.; recording secretary, Mrs. Roy McKinney, Paducah, Ky.; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Kate Tyler Childress Schnabel, New Orleans, La.; treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Tate, Draper, Va.; registrar, Mrs. James B. Gantt, Jefferson City, Mo.; historian, Mrs. J. Enders Robinson, Richmond, Va.; custodian crosses of honor, Mrs. L. H. Raines, Savannah, Ga.; custodian of flags and pennants, Mrs. Frank Anthony Walke, Norfolk, Va.

The social features of the convention were numerous and enjoyable; each day a course luncheon was served in the banquet hall of the hotel to the delegates, through the hospitality and courtesy of the Business Men's League of Little Rock; the Memorial Chapter gave as souvenirs at one of these luncheons a beautiful booklet on "Historical Arkansas," fully illustrated. At another the Arkansas Division presented a pamphlet of poems written by Mrs. R. B. Willis,

Historian of the Division; at another lovely roses were given to each delegate. Mrs. U. M. Rose entertained all the delegates at her beautiful home on Tuesday afternoon, from 5-7, where a brilliant reception and delightful refreshments brought the visitors together to begin the social pleasures of the convention; on Wednesday evening the Memorial Chapter, assisted by the Margaret Rose Chapter, entertained the delegates at a beautiful reception at the home of Mrs. T. H. Bunch; the Colonial Dames entertained the delegates at a charming reception at the home of their President, Mrs. B. S. Johnson; the D. A. R. entertained visiting D. A. R.'s among the delegates at a reception at the home of Mrs. H. H. On Saturday the chapter at Hot Springs entertained all delegates who accepted the invitation for that day, and about 75 delegates enjoyed a beautiful day as guests of Dr. J. M. Keller. The Arkansas Division of Confederate Veterans were in session in Little Rock during the U. D. C. Convention. A committee of U. D. C.'s, consisting of Mrs. Randolph, Virginia; Mrs. Stone, Texas, and Mrs. Emerson, Colorado, carried greetings to the veterans; in return a large delegation of the veterans brought greetings, resolutions and large bunches of roses and chrysanthemums to the U. D. C. in convention assembled; the Board of the Soldiers' Home entertained representatives from all the States out at the Soldiers' Home, where an interesting afternoon was spent with the old soldiers. The local arrangements for this convention were most perfect in detail for the pleasure and comfort of the guests; Mrs. Orlando Halliburton, the retiring President of the Arkansas Division, was the most efficient and thoughtful chairman for all these plans, and the Arkansas Division, in recognition of her services, presented her, through the new President, Mrs. Homer Sloan, with a beautiful silver fruit dish, suitably inscribed, in her honor.

While the number of delegates in attendance was not as large as at some previous conventions, the personnel of the delegations were especially strong, as is shown by the presence of all the general officers, so many members of standing committees and so many State presidents. The sessions were marked by great harmony, dignity and courtesy, and the discussions were earnest, controlled and along broad lines for the best interests of the association. The President General, Mrs. McSherry, endeared herself to all by her impartial attitude, her quiet dignity and firm rulings in crises of discussions and her uniform, gracious courtesy to all. The Little Rock Convention marks a period of great prosperity and good fellowship in the history of the U. D. C., and will go down in the records as one of the most harmonious and enjoyable of a series of splendid conventions.

M. B. P.

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(91 Chapters—4,300 Members.)

T will facilitate work for chairmen and their committees to know that the President, Mrs. F. M. Williams, has reappointed her standing committees until the end of her administration as they were notified last year. Consequently plans laid last year can be rapidly pushed to fruition, as there is no need for delay awaiting notification by the Corresponding Secretary. This announcement was made at the Rocky Mount Convention, but is repeated in *The Keystone* for those not at convention and the new chapters.

STATE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN, as revised in the year's work; Memorial Arch, Mrs. E. E. Moffett, Raleigh; Education, Mrs. W. H. Overman, Salisbury; Arlington Monument, Mrs. I. W. Faison, Charlotte; Shiloh Monument, Mrs. A. L. Smith, Charlotte; Henry Wyatt Monument, Miss Margaret Etheridge, Selma; Children's Chapter, Mrs. Gordon Finger, Charlotte; Chapel Hill Monument, Mrs. H. A. London, Pittsboro; North Carolina Room, Richmond Museum, Regent, Mrs. Latta C. Johnston: Endorement Fund, Mrs. Marshall Williams, Faison; Home for Wives and Widows of Veterans, Mrs. Hunter G. Smith, Fayetteville; Jefferson Davis Home Association, Mrs. A McLean, Gastonia; To Secure Increased Pensions, Mrs. John H. Anderson, Fayetteville; Soldiers' Home, Mrs. R. F. Dalton, Greensboro; Mrs. M. S. Williard, Wilmington; Home for Wives and Widows-The U. D. C.'s have been working for this greatly needed institution for two years, but public and press interest have just been thoroughly aroused. A State paper has pledged \$100 to the fund, and the veterans are enthusiastic over the work. Some camps are considering building county homes for the wives and widows of their comrades of the sixties. This public sentiment will be very useful in securing the legislative appropriation when the Assembly meets in January. Daughters and chapters should see that all favorable literature and information on the subject reaches their county representatives and senators. Confederate women are to reap the benefits we would secure for them not a day is to be lost in erecting the home for the comfort of their declining years.

Museum Work: Mrs. Latta C. Johnston, Regent for North Carolina, at the recent convention, reported several gifts added to the interesting collection. Among them a large United States map, loaned to Gen. P. T. G. Beauregard by the late Capt. John Wilkes, of Charlotte. It was used by the general all through the war and at its close returned to Captain Wilkes with words of most cordial

thanks and his own signature on the margin. It will be recalled that General Beauregard was a West Point man, resigning his Federal commission at South Carolina's Secession. He commanded Charleston when Sumter fell; was at the first Bull Run, surrendering to Sherman with Joseph E. Johnston when the days of the Confederacy were numbered. Six hundred of the two thousand dollars needed for endowing the North Carolina Room have been paid in this year, and it is hoped the fund will be completed this year in view of the General Convention, which next meets in Richmond.

THE NORTH CAROLINA DELEGATION to the Little Rock Convention consisted of the State President, Mrs. F. R. Williams, Newton, and Mrs. W. W. Watt, Charlotte, a member of the Committee on Education U. D. C. North Carolina cast a vote of 141 in this convention and was recognized on several important convention committees.

THE PRESIDENT, MRS. WILLIAMS, has been invited to be a guest of honor at the Annual Convention of the South Carolina Division U. D. C. at Georgetown, S. C., November 30th-December 2d.

WYATT FOUNTAIN: When plans to honor the memory of Henry L. Wyatt were first discussed, both a drinking fountain and a monument were favored. Instead of choosing between the two forms of memorial, both have been carried out. The fountain to be in his native county, the monument to the first Confederate soldier who fell, to be in the State Capital at Raleigh. The drinking fountain having been erected by the Dixie-Lee Chapter of Children of the Confederacy, in Tarboro. Mrs. Robert J. Walker is the leader.

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Vance County: The Confederate monument at Henderson has been completed and unveiled November 19th. The speakers of the occasion were Governor W. W. Kitchin and Gen. Julian S. Carr, State commander of the veterans.

A REMINDER: The Constitution calls for all chapter elections to have been held in November. Let all retiring Recording Secretaries remember to send the list of the newly elected officers to Mrs. Thad. W. Thrash immediately.

MRS. GORDON FINGER.

THE SOUTHERN STAR CHAPTER, Lincolnton, reports 68 members; they own a memorial hall, with interesting Confederate relics; a library has been kept open by them once a week, and they are adding new books each month to this special work of theirs for education. They organized a Children's Chapter in May, which now numbers 52 members. The annual election of officers in November resulted as follows: President, Mrs. B. C. Cobb; Vice President, Mrs. W. C. Quickel; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Milton Tiddy: Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stephen Hendon; Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Saine; Historian, Mrs. George Cauble; Leader of Children, Miss Lena Reinhardt.

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"We would be glad to have every Chapter help make our column interesting by sending in news items. These should be mailed to Miss Hilda Forsberg, Lynchburg, Va., not later than the 15th of the month to appear in the next issue."

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THE Virginia delegation to the Little Rock Convention Consisted of the State President, Mrs. Nathan D. Eller, Mrs. N. V. Randolph, Mrs. E. D. Taylor, Mrs. B. A. Blenner, Mrs. J. G. Cosby, Mrs. D. A. Brown, Mrs. Enders Robinson, Historian General U. D. C., Mrs. C. B. Tate, Treasurer General U. D. C., and Mrs. F. A. Walke, Custodian of Flags U. D. C.

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THE South Carolina delegation to the Little Rock Convention consisted of Mrs. August Kohn, Columbia, State President; Mrs. Mary B. Poppenheim, Charleston, General U. D. C. Chairman of Education, and Mrs. J. L. McWhirter, Jonesville.

"Ku Klux Klan," a pamphlet prepared by Mrs. S. E. F. Rose, Historian Mississippi Division U. D. C., and for sale for a monument to be erected at Beauvoir, Miss. (the home of Jefferson Davis), is a valuable historical record of the history of this mysterious and wonderful organization. Mrs. Rose read this article at the Little Rock, Ark., convention in November, and many U. D. C's wished copies of it. For sale; price 25 cents. Address Mrs. S. E. F. Rose, West Point, Miss.

A Modern Melodrama.

'HE KEYSTONE'S prediction in the November number that Henry Savage's presentation of "Madam X," in the South, would be a series of dramatic successes, was verified in its appearance in Charleston, November 22d and 23d, when three performances were given in succession, with standing room only. Bisson's great world melodrama had been heard of by a discriminating public and the company which Henry Savage sent to Charleston was able to present this much discussed play in a well-balanced and finished manner. Mabel Montgomery, as "Madame X," showed intelligent, careful study of this difficult character. William Bonelli made a cold, dignified Floriot; Louise Monell proved a consummate adventurer as Laroque; Ralph Morgan made an earnest, impassioned Raymond, shedding real tears in pleading his case, and the other characters were all most satisfactory. The stage settings were admirable and were fac similes of those used in New York city. This company gives the production equal in every respect to that given in the great metropolis of New York. All who enjoyed this remarkable play will be interested to know that Sarah Bernhardt has agreed to give a special matinee performance for the benefit of each of the three distinguished actresses playing this role in the Savage company. (There are three companies on the road.) These benefits will probably be given in New York, Boston, and either Denver or San Francisco.

Under the Library Lamp.

THE reading hour in every home may be made useful and cultural by a careful selection of current literature, and the books and magazines read in a home direct many of the opinions and views of that home.

"The Book of Friendship," by Samuel M. Crothers, is a most attractive book on this universally interesting subject. In the introduction the author and compiler says: "It is pleasant not only to know what wise men have thought about friendship, but how friendly souls have actually

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"The Imposter," by John Reed Scott, is a fascinating story, full of romance and daring adventure. The scene is laid in Annapolis, the ancient capital of Maryland, during the middle of the eighteenth century, and many prominent characters, notable in colonial history, appear in its pages. Mr. Scott has spent two winters in Annapolis, and has succeeded well in local color. The plot is well planned, the imposter or masquerader revealing his true name before the book closes, and all on account of love. There are many exciting incidents, chiefly the attack of the pirates. The close touch between Maryland and England during these days is clearly brought out, and the author shows how much local pride these early Americans possessed. He also shows the feelings of class distinction in the colony, and paints a vivid picture of the social customs in Annapolis. Mr. Scott has many warm personal friends in the South, where he has spent many winters, especially in Columbia and Charleston, S. C., and these friends welcome with pride and pleasure this last success. "The Colonel of the Red Huzzars" and "Beatrice of Clare" were among the best sellers, and now "The Imposter" promises even more popularity. The illustrations in color, by Clarence F. Underwood, are very beautiful and give one a better understanding of that period of history.

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"A Dixie Rose," by Miss Augusta Kortrecht, is a charming story for girls, many of the incidents being real happenings in the life of the author, who was born and raised in Memphis, Tenn. Miss Kortrecht began writing when she was only eighteen and was much discouraged by her first efforts in print, and put aside her pen for many years. When she began writing again she wrote rhymes for her brother's children to recite in school, and these verses have appeared in many of the monthly magazines. "A Dixie Rose" is her first long story, and proves the author a friend of young girls and one who knows just what they are interested in. "Mammy" and "Aunt Rhody" are real Southern products, and many Southern families have had experiences similar to the bananas packed in the dress suit case. Every case shows a desire to do something for the people at home. This is a sweet, unaffected story about real nice girls and boys.

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"Two Boys in the Tropics," by Elisa Haldeman Figyelmessy, was written during a long stay in the tropics, where the author's husband was for over twenty years United States consul to British Guinea. Mrs. Figyelmessy started out with her husband and two small sons and gives an interesting account of their experiences from the time of leaving Baltimore in a storm until the return years later. She tells all about the animals they made pets of, all about the plants and the climate, and the Indians and coolies and their way of living. The book is somewhat on the style of "Swiss Family Robinson," and is sure to please small boys or any children interested in animals. The numerous illustrations, photographs of real places, are most interesting and instructive. In selecting Christmas books for children this one should certainly be included as one of the most attractive.

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"Sally Ann's Experience," by Eliza Calvert Hall, is a most attractive publication of the first chapter or story in "Aunt Jane of Kentucky," which brought the author so much popularity, having already reached its eightieth thousand. In private life the author is the wife of Prof. M. A. Obenchain, the president of Ogden College, Bowling Green, Ky. She was born and brought up in Kentucky, and in the introduction to the holiday edition she tells why she wrote "Sally Ann's Experience"—to show the uniquity of the old common law of England in regard to the property rights of married women. This story has been read and recited so often and there has been such a continued demand for it that the publishers decided to publish it separately for the holiday season. the publishers decided to publish it separately for the holiday season, and a beautiful little book it is. It is only forty-five pages, the frontispiece and marginal decorations are most artistic and altogether it is a most appropriate Christmas remembrance.

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The Delineator has been celebrating its fortieth anniversary by searching for its oldest subscribers. Hundreds of letters have been received from women who have read the magazine ever since its first issue. Mabel Potter Daggett, a member of The Delineator staff, has written for the December number the first of a series of "Little Visits With Dear Old Ladies," a charming study of a home life.

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